

AGENDA
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Friday, September 8, 2017 – 12:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. 2nd Ave.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF August 11, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Review of Engage Dodge sessions starting Sept. 19.
2. Discussion of Community Clinic event.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of DACA project by Assistant to the City Manager Ernestor De La Rosa.

BOARD PROGRAMS/DATES (keep in mind)

1. Engage Dodge Program.
2. Racial Profiling/Bias Based Policing – Board representation.
3. Multicultural Park Festival – partnership with Chamber representative.
4. Welcoming Cities Initiative–
5. Black History Month – February
6. Race Relations Day – February 14
7. April – Celebrate Diversity Month
8. Cinco de Mayo – May 5
9. May 21 is World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development - Recognizes cultural diversity as a source of innovation, exchange and creativity, as well as the obligation to create a more peaceful and equitable society based on mutual respect.
10. June – Immigrant Heritage Month
- 11. WORLD REFUGEE DAY – June 20**
12. National Welcoming Week – September 15-24, 2017
13. National Hispanic Heritage Month begins Sept. 15-Oct. 15
14. Human Rights Day – December 10

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF –

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Friday, August 11, 2017
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The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Greta Clark.

Members present: Greta Clark, Debra Muylaert, Mary Marquez, Bianca Alvarez, Maria Kane for the Chamber, Asst. Ford County Administrator Shawn Fletcher. Absent: Elva Dominguez, Oliver Bland, Dennis Tukasinguara, Robert Vinton, Sergio Garcia. Staff: Jane Longmeyer.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of National Welcoming Week Sept. 15-24, 2017.
 - A. The concept of a Community Clinic was discussed which would bring in various entities under one roof offering services. Greta will check with the Driver's License Bureau and Attorney Michael Feltman. Bianca will check with hospital regarding necessary paperwork for treatment of children when parents are not available. Shawn will check with Emergency Management promoting Code Red and the potential to have a notary public available. Jane will check with 4-H, Girl/Boy Scouts. The Public Library was available on Saturday, September 30 from 1:00-3:00 pm.

2. Engage Dodge Program. The sessions for the Engage Dodge Program were assigned as follows:
 - a. City Government Sept. 19 – Jane (Greta suggested the trolley for some touring).
 - b. City Police & Fire Sept. 26 – Jane
 - c. Ford County Sheriff & EMS Oct. 3 – Jane
 - d. Education Oct. 10 – Robert and Bianca
 - e. Public Library Oct. 17 – Greta
 - f. Tourism and Graduation Oct. 24 – Jane

Debra reported on the Racial Profiling/Bias Based Policing meeting she attended July 11th. There was one complaint filed; five officers were hired; the police dept. is looking for some Spanish language course to help officers not bilingual (Greta stated she has manuals specifically for Community Spanish for Law Enforcement Officers in her office).

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Engage Dodge Program

Sponsored by The **Cultural Relations Advisory Board**

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM: The purpose of the program is to:

- 1) identify and provide an awareness of the functions, responsibilities, and impact that different public entities have on the community and on the individual;
- 2) open avenues of communication between participants and officials through discussion, dialog, and information sharing;
- 3) integrate the community through a focused, neutral format; and
- 4) create for participants a tangible knowledge base for civic engagement.

The following community institutions will be presenters: (sessions 5:00 – 7:00 pm)

- City Government – Tuesday, September 19 @ City Hall, 806 N. 2nd Ave.
- City Police & Fire – Tuesday, September 27 @ Police Station, 110 W. Spruce St.
- Ford County Sheriff & EMS – Tuesday, October 3 @ Ford County Sheriff, 11311 Comanche Rd.
- Education – Tuesday, October 10 @ USD #443 Administration, 1000 N. Second Ave.
- Public Library – Tuesday, October 17 @ Public Library, 1001 N. 2nd Ave.
- Tourism and Graduation – Tuesday, October 24 @ Boot Hill Museum, 500 W. Wyatt Earp Blvd.

How will the participant benefit from participation in this program?

Participants will benefit in different manners. Listed are some of the advantages that participants will gain through this experience:

- Awareness of the functions and responsibilities of elected officials to the community and to the individuals.
- Awareness and understanding of the community.
- Understanding of the different cultures in our community.
- Proper channels and avenues for personal and community advocacy.
- Federal, State, and local programming pertinent to the citizens of our community.
- Becoming a role model for their family and others.
- Learning how to become a contributing member of the community.
- Volunteerism and Civic engagement.
- Professional development.



Engage Dodge
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 – 5:00 – 7:00 pm
City Commission Chambers

Welcome by Chairwoman Greta Clark of Cultural Relations Advisory Board

Greta introduce Mayor Rick Sowers: Melissa give explanation of City Commission Form of Government.

Greta introduce City Manager Cherise Tieben: Melissa give explanation of role and responsibilities.

Board trolley: Ernestor give explanation of Development Services Dept.

- A. While touring downtown, Melissa explain Historic Landmark Commission/bldg. rules
- B. Drive Ave. A to Comanche and Ernestor explain Inspection rules/regs.
- C. Drive Ave. B to Depot and Ernestor explain property maintenance.

Melissa: give overview of Housing

- A. Neighborhood Revitalization Program
- B. Paint Dodge
- C. Community Home Renovation Program

Stop at Depot: Tour Public Transportation office. Ernestor give overview of program.

Board trolley: travel to Recycle Center – 716 E. Military. Leonel give overview of Public Works Dept.

- A. Airport
- B. Water/Wastewater
- C. Sanitation rules
- D. Tour recycle center

Board trolley: on return to City Hall, talk about:

- a. Why Not Dodge Projects - Melissa
- b. USCIS Mobile Services - Melissa
- c. Mexican Consulate Services - Ernestor

Wrap-up at City Hall: Dodge City/Ford County Development Corporation

- a. Assistance to Business
- b. Recruiting Retail



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email application again + to Jan

Called to order. Introductions
Crystal + Natalie Liaisons from migrant program

Minutes: motion Oliver second Debra

Engage Dodge:

1. Promote the Engage Dodge - send applications
~~2. Review~~

2. Community Clinic

~~Feltman~~

~~Liberty~~

~~Tracy~~

✓ USCIS - Dawn Henderson

Em Mgt. -

~~Hospital~~

United Way

Adult Learning Center

Ford County Extension

Booth Space

reserve Cultural Relations - tablecloth

DACA - hold a Free Clinic
help fill out ^{renewal} applications 4:00-8:00

send application

Deb.
Elva second